

Kinetic equations for strongly magnetized (in)homogeneous plasmas

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The Fokker-Planck collision term to include a uniform magnetic field for homogeneous plasma is derived which has the similar form as the case of no magnetic field as

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{\partial f_\alpha(\mathbf{v}_\alpha, \tau)}{\partial \tau} + \Omega_\alpha \mathbf{v}_\alpha \times \hat{\mathbf{e}}_z \cdot \frac{\partial f_\alpha(\mathbf{v}_\alpha, \tau)}{\partial \mathbf{v}_\alpha} \\ &= - \frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{v}_\alpha} \cdot [\langle \Delta \mathbf{V}_\alpha \rangle f_\alpha(\mathbf{v}_\alpha, \tau)] + \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \mathbf{v}_\alpha \partial \mathbf{v}_\alpha} : [\langle \Delta \mathbf{V}_\alpha \Delta \mathbf{V}_\alpha \rangle f_\alpha(\mathbf{v}_\alpha, \tau)] \end{aligned}$$

but with different Fokker-Planck coefficients $\langle \Delta \mathbf{V}_\alpha \rangle$ and $\langle \Delta \mathbf{V}_\alpha \Delta \mathbf{V}_\alpha \rangle$, which including the magnetic field. The coefficients are calculated explicitly within the binary collision model, which are free from infinite sums of Bessel functions.

The Fokker-Planck approach is employed to derive the kinetic equation for spatially uniform magnetized plasmas. The magnetized Fokker-Planck collision term can be manipulated into the Landau form.

By using the fluctuating electrostatic field for quiescent plasmas, the magnetized Fokker-Planck coefficients are calculated explicitly based on the wave theory which including the collective effects in a proper manner. The magnetized Balescu-Lenard collision term is obtained as

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial f_\alpha(\mathbf{v}_\alpha, \tau)}{\partial \tau} &= \frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{v}_\alpha} \cdot \sum_\beta \frac{q_\alpha^2 q_\beta^2}{m_\alpha} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dt \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dt_1 \int d^3 \mathbf{k} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} d\omega \int d^3 \mathbf{v}_\beta \times \\ & \exp\{i\mathbf{k} \cdot [\mathbf{H}_\alpha(t) - \mathbf{H}_\alpha(0)] \cdot \mathbf{v}_\alpha - i\mathbf{k} \cdot [\mathbf{H}_\beta(t_1) - \mathbf{H}_\beta(0)] \cdot \mathbf{v}_\beta - i\omega(t - t_1)\} \\ & \times \frac{\mathbf{T}_\alpha^{-1}(t) \cdot \mathbf{k}}{2(2\pi)^4 \varepsilon_0^2 |\varepsilon(\mathbf{k}, \omega)|^2 k^4} \cdot \left(\frac{1}{m_\alpha} \frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{v}_\alpha} - \frac{1}{m_\beta} \frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{v}_\beta} \right) [f_\alpha(\mathbf{v}_\alpha, \tau) f_\beta(\mathbf{v}_\beta, \tau)], \end{aligned}$$

where the dielectric response function is

$$\begin{aligned} \varepsilon(\mathbf{k}, \omega) &= 1 + \sum_{\gamma \neq \alpha} \frac{q_\gamma^2}{\varepsilon_0 m_\gamma k^2} \int_0^\infty dt \int d^3 \mathbf{v} f_\gamma(\mathbf{v}, \tau) \times \\ & \mathbf{k} \cdot [\mathbf{H}_\gamma(t) - \mathbf{H}_\gamma(0)] \cdot \mathbf{k} e^{-i\mathbf{k} \cdot [\mathbf{H}_\beta(t_1) - \mathbf{H}_\beta(0)] \cdot \mathbf{v} + i\omega t} \end{aligned}$$

In which

$$\mathbf{H}_\alpha(t) = \frac{1}{\Omega_\alpha} \begin{pmatrix} \sin(\Omega_\alpha t) & -\cos(\Omega_\alpha t) & 0 \\ \cos(\Omega_\alpha t) & \sin(\Omega_\alpha t) & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \Omega_\alpha t \end{pmatrix}.$$

The magnetized Balescu-Lenard equation is identical to the results derived by using the BBGKY hierarchy of equations and the quasilinear method.

The generalized Balescu-Lenard equation is derived from Klimontovich equation for strongly magnetized inhomogeneous plasmas with a collision term incorporating simultaneously the collective interactions, effects of magnetic field and distribution function inhomogeneity, and nonlocality of the collision process by

using the quasilinear approach.

The kinetic equation is

$$\frac{\partial f_\alpha}{\partial t} + \mathbf{v} \cdot \frac{\partial f_\alpha}{\partial \mathbf{r}} + \frac{q_\alpha}{m_\alpha} (\mathbf{E} + \mathbf{v} \times \mathbf{B}) \cdot \frac{\partial f_\alpha}{\partial \mathbf{v}} = C_\alpha^L + C_\alpha^{NL}$$

Where the local part of collision term is

$$\begin{aligned} C_\alpha^L &= \frac{iq_\alpha^2}{(2\pi)^4 \varepsilon_0 m_\alpha} \frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{v}_\alpha} \cdot \left\{ \int d^3 \mathbf{k} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} d\omega \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dt' \frac{\mathbf{k}}{\varepsilon k^2} f_\alpha \times \right. \\ & \exp\{-i\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{H}_\alpha^-(t') \cdot \mathbf{v}_\alpha + i\omega t'\} + \sum_\beta \frac{q_\beta^2}{\varepsilon_0 m_\alpha} \int d^3 \mathbf{k} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} d\omega \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dt' \\ & \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dt_1 \int d^3 \mathbf{v}_1 \exp\{-i\mathbf{k} \cdot [\mathbf{H}_\alpha^-(t') \cdot \mathbf{v} - \mathbf{H}_\beta^-(t') \cdot \mathbf{v}_1] + i\omega(t_1 - t')\} \\ & \left. \frac{\mathbf{k}\mathbf{k}}{|\varepsilon|^2 k^2} \cdot \left[\mathbf{T}_\alpha(-t') \cdot \frac{\partial f_\alpha}{\partial \mathbf{v}} - \mathbf{H}_\alpha^-(t') \cdot \frac{\partial f_\alpha}{\partial \mathbf{r}} \right] f_\beta \right\} \end{aligned}$$

In which

$$\mathbf{T}_\alpha(t) = \frac{1}{\Omega_\alpha} \begin{pmatrix} \cos(\Omega_\alpha t) & \sin(\Omega_\alpha t) & 0 \\ -\sin(\Omega_\alpha t) & \cos(\Omega_\alpha t) & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Meanwhile the nonlocal part of collision term is

$$\begin{aligned} C_\alpha^{NL} &= - \frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{v}} \cdot \frac{q_\alpha^2}{(2\pi)^4 \varepsilon_0 m_\alpha} \left\{ \int d^3 \mathbf{k} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} d\omega \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dt' \right. \\ & e^{-i\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{H}_\alpha^-(t') \cdot \mathbf{v} + i\omega t'} \frac{1}{\varepsilon} \frac{\partial \chi_h}{\partial \mathbf{r}} \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{k}} \frac{\mathbf{k}}{\varepsilon k^2} f_\alpha + \sum_\beta \frac{q_\beta^2}{\varepsilon_0 m_\alpha} i \\ & \int d^3 \mathbf{k} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} d\omega \int_0^\infty dt' \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dt_1 \int d^3 \mathbf{v}_1 e^{i\omega(t_1 - t')} \\ & e^{-i\mathbf{k} \cdot [\mathbf{H}_\alpha^-(t') \cdot \mathbf{v} - \mathbf{H}_\beta^-(t_1) \cdot \mathbf{v}_1]} \left\{ \frac{\partial f_\beta}{\partial \mathbf{r}} \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{k}} \left(\frac{\mathbf{k}}{\varepsilon k^2} \right) \right. \\ & \frac{\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{T}_\alpha(-t')}{\varepsilon^* k^2} \cdot \frac{\partial f_\alpha}{\partial \mathbf{v}} - \frac{\partial \chi_h}{\partial \mathbf{r}} \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{k}} \left(\frac{\mathbf{k}}{\varepsilon k^2} \right) \frac{\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{T}_\alpha(-t')}{|\varepsilon|^2 k^2} \\ & \cdot \frac{\partial f_\alpha}{\partial \mathbf{v}} f_\beta - i \frac{\mathbf{k}}{|\varepsilon|^2 k^2} \frac{\partial \chi_h^*}{\partial \mathbf{r}} \cdot \left[\mathbf{H}_\alpha^-(t') \cdot \mathbf{v} + i \frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{k}} \right] \\ & \left. \left. \frac{\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{T}_\alpha(-t')}{\varepsilon^* k^2} \cdot \frac{\partial f_\alpha}{\partial \mathbf{v}} f_\beta \right\} \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

Subsequently, the particle transport process across magnetic field in strongly magnetized plasmas is investigated by using the generalized Balescu-Lenard equation derived above.

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